(b) whether Government think that NIC is no more relevant to the building of National unity and integrity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Flight over no-fly-zone

831. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY
SIRIGIREDDY: SHRIMATI SAVITA
SHARDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on 20th November, 2002 Lufthansa's flight flew over the Prime Minister's house which is a no-fly-zone by breaching the security of the Prime Minister.

(b) if so, the details of the incident;

(c) whether any interrogation has been carried out on the errant pilot of Lufthansa flight;

(d) if so, the outcome of the interrogation; and

(e) what action Government have taken on the pilot?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. On November 20, 2003, a Lufthansa cargo with two crew members, deviated from its earmarked path and strayed into the prohibited area before landing at IGI Airport. During interrogation of the crew it was found to be an error of judgement on the part of the pilot. However, nothing adverse from security angle has come to light during the investigation of the incident. Lufthansa Airlines has been informed of the lapse of their pilots and advised to take corrective action before allowing the pilots to fly into India.